

Claims

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1. An antibody against a fusion polypeptide comprising a histidine portion, wherein the antibody is directed against the histidine portion and the latter comprises 6-18 histidine residues.

2. ~~The antibody according to claim 1, characterized in that it is polyclonal.~~

3. The antibody according to claim 1, characterized in that it is monoclonal.

4. The antibody according to claim 3, characterized in that it is deposited under ACC 2207 with DSM [German-type culture collection for microorganisms].

5. A process for the preparation of an antibody according to any one of claims 1 to 4, characterized in that an animal is immunized with a histidine fusion polypeptide and

- (a) polyclonal antibodies are obtained from the serum of the animal, or
- (b) monoclonal antibodies are obtained after the fusion of animal's spleen cells with myeloma cells.

6. The process according to claim 5, characterized in that a mixture of histidine fusion polypeptides is used for immunization.

7. Use of an antibody according to any one of claims 1 to 4 in a detection method for a fusion polypeptide comprising a histidine portion.

8. Use according to claim 7, wherein the detection method is a Western blot, an ELISA, an immunofluorescence or an immunoprecipitation.

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